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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 197

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN GARY L. PERRY, on April 15, 2003 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gary L. Perry, Chairman (R)

Rep. Mark Noennig, Vice-Chairman (R)

Sen. Jeff Mangan (D)

Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)

Rep. Arlene Becker (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: Rep. Bill Thomas (R)

Staff Present: Valencia Lane, Legislative Branch

Mari Prewett, Committee Secretary

Please Note. These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 197, 4/11/2003

Executive Action:

REP. BECKER expressed her opposition to the Senate Amendments and indicated that the bill needed a coordination amendment.

Valencia Lane, Legislative Branch, explained the need for the coordination of HB 197 with HB 195. Ms. Lane provided the Committee with copies of the proposed amendments, attached as Exhibit 1. Ms. Lane discussed the amendments and how they related to the existing bill.

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REP. BECKER stated that she was okay with the proposed amendments.

REP. NOENNIG asked for an explanation of the difference between HB 195 and HB 197. **Ms. Lane** explained that there was no difference, the bills were being combined so that both bills would work.

Motion/Vote: REP. CURTISS moved that the AMENDMENT TO HB 197 BE ADOPTED. Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: REP. NOENNIG moved that the COMMITTEE REPORT ON HB 197 BE ADOPTED. Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

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